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New U.S. Patent Application  
Title: OPTICAL ELEMENT AND OPTICAL PICKUP DEVICE

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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. A check for \$1048.00 representing a \$1008.00 filing fee and \$40.00 for recording the Assignment.
2. Application - 71 pages, including 5 independent claims and 29 claims total.
3. Drawings - 12 sheets of formal drawings, containing 13 figures.
4. Declaration and Power of Attorney.
5. Recordation Form Cover Sheet and Assignment to Konica Corporation.
6. Certified Copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 11-276209 filed September 29, 1999.

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Please accord this application a serial number and filing date and record and return the Assignment to the undersigned.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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